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CAPE MEARES LIGHTHOUSE PARKING AREA Project OR RRP CAME 900(1)

Well this week has been slow, in fact the contractor only worked a few days this week. With the project at or near the paving stage and no one willing to come out and pave we are on hold. We did change a sign this week. We also added a small bump to the roadway to avoid water coming down the roadway from going into the island area.. It's hoped that by construction of this small bump angled across the road any water will be diverted off to one side. The bump is rather small and with traffic it will compact down even further, consider it traffic calming feature for now. Once we pave we will remove this bump.

We met this week with Road & Driveways from Lincoln City in hopes of getting them to pave the site. The end result of that meeting was not good. For now the fact remains the contractor does not have a schedule for paving or even a commitment from a paving contractor. I do know the contractor is diligently investigating every possible source to get this paving completed.

As we progress later into the season the window of opportunity to actually do the paving decreases substantially. This project being as near to the ocean as one could get is influenced by cooler weather, fog and dampness that hinder drying of the existing pavement. Without dry pavement conditions its difficult to pave over existing asphalt.

Hopefully the contractor can locate a paving company willing to do the work in the coming week. We are doing everything possible to see that happens. If we have an opportunity to pave likely the road closure notice will not have much forewarning, but we will do the best we can. Even after paving we have concrete curbs to pour, wheel stops to install and pavement markings to apply, all of which requires dry weather.

Our goal is to push to get this project completed and achieve a quality product in the process. So far the workmanship is good and the contractor has been a good partnership with the same goals. It's a pleasure to work with people that try their best.

If you have any commits or concerns related to the construction please forward these to the listed Email address or call 360-907-0685.

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